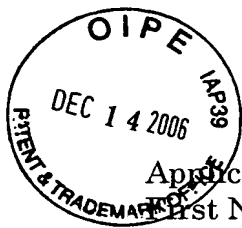


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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated October 10, 2006.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.